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The residual literary estate of Gustav Landauer containing his notebooks from student years, personal memorabilia, and photographs from the 1918-19 revolution were deposited in the LBI, NY by his granddaughter, Marianne Luetke. A previous donation of his manuscript material was given to the Hebrew University Library manuscript collections. (Library books have been listed separately). Landauer's photographs emphasize the period of his assassination, burial, and posthumous memorial commemorations in the early 1920s.

Landauer was born in 1870 and assassinated in early May 1919. He was a well-known philosopher, writer, anarchist-socialist. In Kurt Eisner's post-revolutionary cabinet, Landauer briefly served as minister of public instruction and was murdered in May 1919 in the restoration of conservative rule in Bavaria. (See: Allan Mitchell, Revolution in Bavaria, 1918-19 Princeton, 1965).

Bound Manuscripts:

1. Landauer's handwritten notebook for a German literature course "Luther to Lessing", offered by Prof. Wilhelm Braune in the wintersemester 1888-89. (Braune, "Deutsche Literatur von Luther bis Lessing"). Landauer signed the front page, and indexed the contents on pp. 224-28. Total bound volume handwritten: 228 p. in German.

2. Partially Filled bound notebook, untitled, undated, but the earliest date is 1895 from internal evidence. 14 pages of miscellaneous notes: diary entries (e.g. Bregenz, 29 Mai), handwritten annotations from books on the ruling class, on Gustav Bahr. I assume that this was a writers' notebook which was only used occasionally.

3. Bound handsewn pamphlet, total 5 pages:

- a) cover page: child's Christmas drawing with 2 prophet-like figures, a moon (a Yellow Star of David with a face), and a Christmas tree in colored pencil, entitled: Weihnacht: Friede auf Erden. The pamphlet was written at the earliest in December 1919 and posthumously commemorates the last year of Landauer's life, 1918-19.
- b) handwritten poem "Von einem deutschen Dichter," unsigned, page 1 of booklet.
- c) "Gustav Landauer am 1. Mai 1919 in Starnberg," including two photographs of the last day of Landauer's life (see #4), page 2 of brochure.
- d) "Gustav Landauer sprach - Eine Erinnerung," handwritten vignettes and quotes, page 3.
- e) page 4 and last side: entitled "Weihnachten 1918: Eine Vision" and the last poem, "Weihnachten 1919," is signed K.E.

3e. The 1918 Christmas poem contains the description of Christmas eve 1918 with Landauer and Kurt Eisner. The 1919 Christmas poem is entitled Resurrection (Auferstehung).

The booklet is of unknown authorship but in one handwriting and was probably completed sometime in Dec. 1919 from internal evidence.

4. Clippings:

Max Brod, "Gespräch mit Georg Kaiser," newspaper unknown, either 1920 or 21 (ink note on clipping).

3 identical clipped photos of Landauer's last walk, 1919.

Personal and Political Photographs:

Loose photos:

5a : Sepia portrait of Landauer, 6½ x 9", undated, no photographer given. The photo is clearly before 1916 (cf. Mauthner collection AR 3392/II27 which has a 1916 portrait of Landauer with graying beard and hair).

5b : 1 sepia photo of Landauers three daughters" Gudule, Charlotte, and Brigitte Hausberger (mother of Mike Nichols), from left to right. Photographer: Hans Herff, Pforzheim, undated. Sepia mounted on black paper and 6 x 4½"; undated.

6. Photos of the 1918-19 Revolution in Bavaria:

a. Gedächtnisfeier for G. Landauer, Munich, 30 April 1922 (black/white, some surface loss of contrast), 5 x 6½".

b. Postcard photo of Bavarian revolution; slightly out of focus and surface scratches on image.

c. Photopostcard signed AE and addressed to Ms. Lotte (Charlotte) Landauer, cancelled 20 Feb. 19(21?). Photo shows Kurt Eisner Gedächtnisfeier, 21 Feb. 1920.

d. Gustav and Grete Landauer, wedding announcement, mid-Nov., 1892.

7. Bound Photo album with 25 images in black-white of the 1918-19 revolution; photos are snapshot and postcard size and are:

p.1: Landauer at the demonstration 16 Feb. 1919

p.2: Minister president K. Eisner, 16. Feb. 1919 demonstration; Hans Hartl photographer

p.3: Demonstration in Munich, 16 Feb. 1919

p.4 and loose postcard photo: of Feb. 16, 1919 demonstration

p.5: Eisner at the Feb. 16, 1919 demonstration

p.6: Prannerstr. location with soldiers standing around

a wreath at the site of Eisner's assassination,

23 Feb. 1919. Foto Hoffmann (Schellingsstr.), later Hitler's court photographer.

p.7: demonstration Feb. 1919 (undated) in Munich

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- 7. p.8: demonstration in 1919 Munich (very dark image showing substantial loss of detail)
- p.9: Spring 1919 demonstration in Munich.
- p. 10 : Eisner funeral procession (Haus der Kunst plaza ? in Munich).
- p.11: Munich demonstration, 1919.
- p. 12: Eisner's funeral procession with wreath-carriers, 26 Feb. 1919; photographer: F. Hartl.
- p.13: Soldiers marching in Eisner's funeral procession
- p. 14: Eisner's funeral procession.
- p. 15: Landauer at Eisner's funeral. The postcard carries the white label "Der Kommunist Landauer," and may mean that the postcard series was issued by the white and right-wing antirevolutionaries.
- p. 16: full face portrait of G. Landauer
- p. 17: Landauer's last walk (Landauer lower front right of photo, see newspaper clipping item #4).
- p. 18: memorial service for Landauer in Munich, 30 April 1922, see item #6a.
- p. 19-20 and one loose photo: Landauer's grave.

Size: 2½ inches

Languages: German

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1840
Landauer, Gustav, Politiker
geb. 7.4.1870 in Karlsruhe
gest. 1.5.1919 in Muenchen
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1. Foto n.d. lp in Fotoalbum
2. Foto Grabstein Druck lp
3. Buchseiten aus: Wolf, Georg Jakob "Muenchener Waldfriedhof" Verlag Benno Filser, Augsburg 1928
betr. Grab Landauer Druck 3p
4. Polizei-Akten Photokopien 92p (B20/2)
5. Programm der Gedaschtnisfeier in der Stadthalle zu Berlin am 1.6.1919 . Veranstalet vom Berliner Gewerkschaftskartell Druck 3p m Foto 2 Ex

1. Name 2. Beruf Poltiker 3. Foto Landauer, Gustav 2. Karte

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6. Brief an Werner Schulz in Gross-Lichterfelde Ost Hermsdorf b. Berlin 20.10.1916
Photokopie v Handschr lp
Beileid zum Tod des Vaters
7. Link-Salinger, Ruth "Gustav Landauer in Historical Transmissions" Proceedings of the American Academy for Jewish Research Vol. XLI-XLII 1973-1974
New York 1975 reprint p.169ff. 37p
8. Link-Salinger, Ruth "Oevres Gustav Landauer" Proceedings vol. 43 American Academy for Jewish Research 1975 photoprint of proof 26p

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9. Link-Salinger, Ruth Buchbesprechung "Landauer, Gustav: Revolution" Berlin 1974 Photokopie v Sonderdruck aus: Internationale Wissenschaftliche Korrespondenz zur Geschichte der deutschen Arbeiterbewegung Heft 4 1975 Herbst 1975 2p
10. "Gustav Landauer Erkenntnis und Befreiung" Buchbesprechung von: Ausgewahlte Aufsaezte. Herausgegeben von Ruth Salinger-Hyman Suhrkamp Programm-Vorschau 1. Halbjahr 1976 Photokopie v Ztschr Art lp
11. Foto Gudula Landauer, Tochter von Gustav Landauer und Hedwig Lachmann n.p. n.d. lp
(in den 30er Jahren)

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12. Notes by Herman Elbin 1968 about the life of Gugula Landauer (Noll.) photocopy of handwr lp